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The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—" The report has been received. The answer to the question is in the affirmative. But necessary instructions have been issued since."

Administration of Justice

Selection of candidates for appointments to the Civil Judicial department by the Madras Services Commission.

* 310 *Q.*—Mr. M. DEVADASAN: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state when the Government are going to transfer the power of selecting candidates for appointments in the Civil Judicial department to the Public Services Commission?

A.—There is no proposal now to transfer the power of selecting candidates to the posts of District Munsifs and Subordinate Judges to the Madras Services Commission. The Government have authorized the Madras Services Commission to select candidates for the ministerial establishments of the mufassal civil courts and the arrangements to be made in connexion with the selection are under consideration.

Age-limit for admission into the Civil Judicial department.

* 311 *Q.*—Mr. M. DEVADASAN: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the prescribed age for admission into the service of the Judicial department is;

(*b*) whether the Government have relaxed this age-limit in the case of the depressed classes, Indian Christians and Muslims as they have done in Revenue and other departments; and

(*c*) whether any representation was made to the Government for the relaxation of this age-limit?

A.—(*a*) The hon. Member presumably refers to the posts of clerks in the Judicial department. The present age-limit is 25.

(*b*) The question is under consideration.

(*c*) A memorandum was presented by the hon. Member to His Excellency the Governor on the subject.

Appointment of an Additional Judge to the City Civil Court, Madras.

* 312 *Q.*—Mr. M. DEVADASAN: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government propose to appoint an Additional Judge for the City Civil Court; and

(*b*) whether the Government have called for applications for the post?